



California Central Coast Chapter of the Wildlife Society

November 2012

Memorandum

TO: Western Section TWS Executive Board

FR: Kevin Cooper, Chapter Representative

RE: Chapter Report

Officers

President: Brooke Langle
Vice president: Jon Claxton
Secretary: Sue Christopher
Treasurer: Dave Hacker
Chapter Rep: Kevin Cooper

Chapter Activities

October board meeting

CalPoly wildlife club and Central Californi Coast happy hour get together each month

Condor field trip – postponed

Research Roundtable – February 2013

Kit Fox Workshop at Chimineas Ranch

The California Central Coast Chapter hosted the "Ecology and Conservation of the San Joaquin Kit Fox" workshop in July in the Carrizo Plains of San Luis Obispo County. The workshop filled up quickly with 24 professionals, one student, and one student/presenter signing up. Brian Cypher and Christine Van Horn Job of the Endangered Species Recovery Program taught much of the lecture material and graciously spent time in the field with the participants for multiple days. Participants spotlighted as many as 30-50 San Joaquin kit foxes during the three nights, along with many other San Joaquin Valley endemic species, badgers, burrowing owls, short-eared owls, long-tailed weasels, pronghorn, tule elk, and more. Foxes were also seen during the daytime, along with plenty of dens, tracks, and scat. Camera trapping was successful as well. Participant's overall response was overwhelmingly positive and many plan to sign up for next year's workshop; we feel there will not be a problem filling the workshop next year and will continue to offer this service. Even though the Central Coast Chapter was most interested in giving a quality workshop that the local wildlife biologist community needed and not focused on a profit, we did clear approximately \$2000.

Our chapter plans on having a field trip to visit Hopper Mountain Condor Refuge and camp out nearby on the Los Padres National Forest. We plan on working with Jesse Grantham who led the Condor recovery effort with USFWS, the Forest Service, USFWS, Caltrans, and CDFG on re-establishing the condor observatory sign along the Cerro Noroeste Road by Bittercreek Wildlife Refuge. This is a great spot to view condors from and would benefit by having a viewing station and interpretive sign. Activities will include a visit to the condor release facilities, condor viewing, and camping out. Due to low turnout, we postponed this event until spring of 2013 when we expect to get higher participation.

We are also planning to continue our research roundtable gathering of local wildlife managers, researchers, and students to update each other on our ongoing issues, research, and management. This will be held at CalPoly University in February.

The Chapter was blessed with a 100K endowment in 2008 which we decided to keep intact and use as a trust fund for local student scholarships, which we have done. Because of the poor economy, the chapter protected this investment in a CD which prevented a loss of funds through the financial crisis, but which did not generate much in the way of scholarship funding. We are examining ways in which it can be safely invested but get a higher return than with a CD, and updating the guidance language for this funding. This is not considered part of the cash resource for the chapter. At this time our cash resources sum to approximately 37K.

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To: TWS-Western Section Executive Board
From: Bennett Hardy (bh71@humboldt.edu)
Subject: Humboldt State Student Chapter Representative Report
Date: November 2, 2012

I. Chapter Activities

- **Program meetings**
 - Fall Semester
 - ~Weekly student talks
 - Weekly ecoseries speakers.
 - CNCC/CU Fall and Winter mixers
- **Workshops**
 - Fall Semester
 - Telemetry workshop
 - Bird Banding at HBBO
 - Tide-pooling
- **Board meetings**
 - Weekly meetings.
- **Annual Wildlife Society National Meeting Conclave**
 - October 13-18, 2012
 - Portland, Oregon
 - 1st Place Quiz Bowl champs (again)!!!
 - Photography contest winners
- **Miscellaneous Chapter activities**
 - Coffee Table
 - Income: Between \$170-\$250 weekly
 - Run by members of Conclave, so they receive 60-70% of profits (depending on need)
 - Bank~\$6900
 - Use about half of that income to purchase supplies for following week
 - Organizing/brainstorming for Beast Feast next Spring (local hunter supplied game meat dinner social)
- **Membership**
 - ~100 members total. ~50 members (mostly non-Wildlife students) that use their membership to receive a discount at the coffee table.

Board Members and Contacts

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Webmaster	Bridget Sousa	

Past Chapter Activities

- Sunday, Sept. 9: Farallones boat trip with The Oceanic Society.
- Sunday, Oct. 14: Marin Headlands, HawkWatch with Allen Fish, GGRO.
- October 20-21. Canid I.D. workshop in Contra Costa County.

Newsletters

Brian Pittman is currently working on a winter Wandering Tattler. Past and current newsletters are available on the Chapter website <http://joomla.wildlife.org/sanfrancisco/>

Upcoming Chapter Activities

- Sunday, Nov. 11: Hike\Sunol Regional Wilderness, Alameda County
- Saturday, Dec. 1: Wildlife Biologist Certification Workshop, Santa Rosa, Sonoma County
- Sunday, Dec. 9: Hike\Grizzly Island Wildlife Area, Solano County

Membership

We are at approximately 105 members now.

Financial Standing

The Chapter has approximately \$18,000 in its accounts. Recent expenditures for the Canid I.D. workshop may reduce the total. A \$100 donation was provided to the National TWS meeting.

Grants/scholarships

The Chapter has several sponsored free student memberships available.

WS Executive Board Action Item Update(s)

- Chapter representatives to PDC are Jessica Martini-Lamb and Natasha Dvorak (reported in 04/19/2012 and 07/27/2012 chapter reports to Board) - completed
- Proxy for SF Bay Chapter Rep is Natasha Dvorak - completed
- Provide Strategic Plan facilitator referrals to Leeman - completed

San Joaquin Valley Chapter
The Wildlife Society



To: TWS-WS Executive Board
From: Linda Connolly, Chapter Representative
Subject: San Joaquin Valley Chapter Report
Meeting Date: November 2, 2012

Recent Actions and Events:

- The Chapter's Sensitive Small Mammal Species of the San Joaquin Valley workshop was held October 5-6 in Bakersfield. We had 37 attendees, and the event sold out again in about 10 days. Attendees all were able to handle animals in the field – predominately, giant kangaroo rats were captured, and capture success was high. Classroom instructors included researchers, biological consultants, USFWS and DFG regulatory staff, and DFG biologists.
- The Chapter started a Yahoo!Group to promote communication among professionals regarding wildlife, plants, and habitats within the Chapter area.

Planning:

- Our next anticipated workshop will be for Blunt-nosed Leopard Lizard, held in spring 2012.

Meetings:

- The Chapter Board met last in mid-August, and a winter meeting will likely be held before the holidays.

Online resources:

- Information including our most recent newsletter can be found on our website: http://joomla.wildlife.org/SanJoaquin//index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=174&Itemid=276
- We also have a Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/San-Joaquin-Valley-Chapter-of-The-Wildlife-Society/202907939741620>

Membership:

Membership is hovering around 175 members.

San Joaquin Valley 2012 Chapter Board:

President, proxy rep	Skip Moss
President-elect	Jeff Davis
Past President, PDC rep	Curtis Uptain
Secretary	Erin Tennant
Treasurer / Membership Coordinator	Justin Sloan
Chapter Rep	Linda Connolly

Newsletter Editor
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**The Wildlife Society
Nevada Chapter**

To: TWS-Western Section Executive Board
From: Marjorie Matocq (mmatocq@cabnr.unr.edu)
Subject: Nevada Chapter Representative Report
Date: October 30, 2012

Chapter Activities

2012 Chapter activities

Planning our annual research symposium.

Membership

The Nevada Chapter currently has 47 members.

Treasurer's Report

The Nevada Chapter account stands at \$5376.

Business Meetings

Last: January 25, 2012

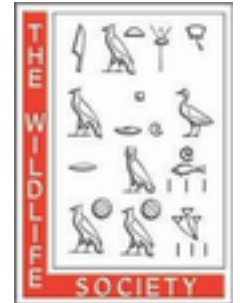
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Officers

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Secretary-Treasurer- Derek Hall

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To: TWS-Western Section Executive Board
From: Chapter Representative Steven Stiles (slstiles@ucdavis.edu)
Subject: UC Davis Student Chapter Representative Report
October 31, 2012

Fall 2012 Chapter Activities

10/4/2012 Regular chapter meeting

10/17/2012 Activities Fair (UC Davis Campus) Tabling, distributing flyers and information about the club and collecting emails

11/4/2012 Birding at the Davis Wetlands with John Eadie, Michael Strom

11/6/2012 Interview Workshop

11/8/2012 Resume Workshop in conjunction with UC Davis Internship & Career Center

11/10-11/2012 Camping trip to Pinnacles National Monument. Hiking and observing radio telemetry with park researchers

11/16-18/2012 Tolay Ranch: Small mammal trapping near San Pablo Bay. Camping and using Sherman traps to monitor small mammal population during ongoing restoration by the Sonoma Land Trust.

11/27/2012 Regular chapter meeting, speaker Jenn McKenzie: Grant applications and doing your own research projects & publications as an undergraduate

Ongoing: T-shirt sales

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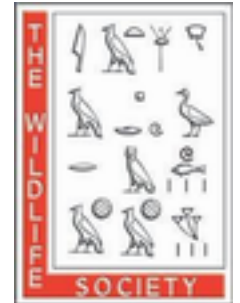
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14 paid members, 580 subscribers to email list

Treasurer's Report

\$1,026.46 in the bank and are in the process of collecting dues.

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Upcoming Events

- a) Portland, Oregon Wildlife Convention
- b) Mixer with Sacramento Chapter
- c) Ano Nuevo Trip Feb/March
- d) Resume Workshop
- e) Practice Interview Night
- f) Tolay Ranch: Small Mammal trapping near San Pablo Bay Sign up sheet available the date TBA. Need to take Animal Care and Use ACU course before assisting Course can be complete online. Trip requires a tent and lots of bug spray.
- g) Activities Fair
- h) Bat Misnetting trip, need to have Rabies shot before if you want to handle the bats. Sign up sheet and date of trip will be finalized soon. Rabies shot is available through the Student Health Center.

Dues

- a) \$8.00 (cash or check) for the whole year can now be paid through Paypal through our website

Orgsync

a) Like Facebook, a way to connect with us as a club.

Campus Veterinary Services

a) Looking for potential employee to work weekend and holiday vet technician.

Flexible hours. Main job focuses on laboratory animal medicine. You would be working with researchers and providing post/ pre operating care on a wide variety of animals.

A look Ahead

a) Speakers on the following topics will be presenting at our meetings: hummingbird research, grant application, Fish and Game Restoration

Work

b) Picnic Day: Photo Silent Auction

-Prizes include Outdoor Adventure trips

c) Stebbins Cold Canyon: Hiking trips in February to see newts

d) Center for Snake Conservation Snake Count

e) Western Section Annual Conference in Sacramento Jan 29-31st, 20

f) Shirts for sale, long and short sleeves available. Email if interested.

g) Pinnacles National Monument near Hollister sometime in November

Ideas from the audience on other trips

a) Plant stuff/ horticulture

b) Screening of the movie Frozen Planet

c) Backpacking Trips/ Classes

Ongoing: Bi-weekly officer meetings

T-shirt sales

Permitting for a small mammal trapping & monitoring project with the Sonoma

Land Trust

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Officers are discussing other fundraising events for this quarter.



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To: The Wildlife Society - Western Section Executive Board
From: Chapter Representative: Anthony Bush (apbush1@yahoo.com)
Subject: The Wildlife Society, University of Nevada, Reno Student Chapter Report
Date: November 2nd, 2012

Fall 2012 Chapter Activities

Chapter meetings

August 29th, First Executive Board meeting of the Fall semester;

September 5th, First regular meeting of the Fall semester, Introduction of all new board members, sign-ups for upcoming events, volunteers obtained for fundraisers

September 25th, General Meeting, presentation of upcoming volunteer opportunities, discussed upcoming fundraising events

October 10th, General Meeting/ Radio Telemetry workshop run by Anthony Bush at Rancho San Rafael Regional Park.

October 15th, General meeting/ workshop with USFWS employee William Johnson who will be helping to teach our members how to navigate the new Pathways program and giving a tutorial on applying for internships and student jobs with USFWS and other agencies.

October 17th, Executive Board Meeting. Set up committees and committee members to split up the duties of the board. Invited regular members interested in joining the board to attend (several current board members will be graduating this semester), and recruited new board members

Miscellaneous Chapter Activities

August 28nd-September 13th, Conducted a massive recruitment drive wherein board members went to every biology and natural resources class being offered that semester and gave a quick synopsis about the club and provided sign-up materials.

September 6th, Manned a recruitment booth at the University of Nevada, Reno Science Fair Expo featuring Bill Nye

September 8th, Assisted with the College of Agriculture, Biotechnology, and Natural Resources annual field day (set-up, serving lunch, etc.); Maintained a booth for recruitment purposes that had activities for children in attendance.

Volunteered with the USFWS Fallon Wood Duck Project annual spaghetti feed fundraiser in Fallon, NV. Sold raffle tickets, merchandise, helped with silent auction, set-up and clean-up.

September 14th, 17th, Assisted Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW) put together sampling packets that were sent out to hunters who successfully drew Mule Deer hunting tags in specific areas. These packets included instructions and supplies so that hunters who successfully harvest an animal could send samples back to NDOW for analysis (disease, genetics, health, etc).

September 14th-October 5th, 8 members are assisting Friends of Nevada Wildlife and the USGS by GPS mapping fence posts in the Winemucca area of Nevada each weekend.

September 22nd, Assisted PhD students in the construction of a Desert tortoise enclosure on campus where they will be doing research, and housing portions of the resident captive tortoise population.

September 27th, Welcome back BBQ held to welcome members back for the new academic year and encourage new members to join the club.

September 29th, Took part in Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful (KTMB) by assisting with trash clean-up/general maintenance at the Nature Conservancy's project at McCarran Ranch.

October 14th, Truckee River Clean-up Day near truckee California.

October 16th-Dec 4th, The club will be conducting its annual Chili fundraiser every Thursday to raise money to pay for sending members to this years Student Conclave in Laramie, WY.

October 21st, Assisted in the development of a new hiking trail outside of Minden, NV.

There are plans to design and provide club sweatshirts to members who are interested in purchasing them

The club created a new website which can be viewed at www.unrwildlife.weebly.com.

Upcoming Events

October 27th, Assisted Nevada Bighorns Unlimited with a native seed collection outside of Carson City, NV the seed collected will be used to re-seed areas impacted by fires this past year.

- General meeting in which we show the TWS video "Opportunity For All"

Treasurer's Report

Current Balance: \$1999.86

Active Members

25 paid members, and more than 250 students and faculty on our email list.

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